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In the Claims

Please amend claims 123, 133, 152 and 157 in the subject application as set forth below in accordance with 37 C.F.R. \$1.121 as amended by 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 (June 30, 2003).

1-122. (Canceled)

123. (currently amended) A method of treating a mammal human afflicted with multiple sclerosis comprising administering to the mammal human a single purified polypeptide, wherein the purified polypeptide comprises consecutive amino acids having en the amino acid sequence of which is set forth in any of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:7 in an amount effective to treat the mammal human.

124. (previously presented) The method of claim 123 wherein the purified polypeptide consists entirely of L-amino acids.

125-126. (Canceled)

127. (currently amended) The method of claim 123, wherein the purified polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of the consecutive amino acids is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.

128-131. (Canceled)

132. (currently amended) The method of claim 123, wherein the purified polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of the consecutive amino acids is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 7.

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133. (currently amended) A method of treating a mammal human afflicted with multiple sclerosis comprising administering to the mammal human a pharmaceutical composition comprising a single purified polypeptide, wherein the purified polypeptide comprises consecutive amino acids having an the amino acid sequence of which is set forth in any of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:7, in an amount effective to treat the mammal human and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

134-151. (Canceled)

- 152. (currently amended) A method of delaying the onset or preventing or inhibiting the progression of multiple sclerosis in a mammal human afflicted with multiple sclerosis comprising single purified human а administering to the mammal purified polypeptide comprises the polypeptide, wherein consecutive amino acids having an the amino acid sequence of which is set forth in any of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:7, in an amount effective to delay the onset or prevent or inhibit the progression of multiple sclerosis in the mammal human.
- 153. (previously presented) The method of claim 152, wherein, the purified polypeptide consists entirely of L-amino acids.

154. (Canceled)

- 155. (currently amended) The method of claim 152, wherein the purified polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of the consecutive amino acids is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.
- 156. (currently amended) The method of claim 152, wherein the purified polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of the

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consecutive amino acids is set forth in SEQ ID NO: 7.

157. (currently amended) A method of delaying the onset or preventing or inhibiting the progression of multiple sclerosis in a mammal human afflicted with multiple sclerosis comprising administering to the mammal human a pharmaceutical composition comprising a single purified polypeptide, wherein the purified polypeptide comprises consecutive amino acids having an the amino acid sequence of which is set forth in any of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:7, in an amount effective to delay the onset or prevent or inhibit the progression of multiple sclerosis in the mammal human and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

158-166. (Canceled)